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### CAMPBELL'S MILLS

Program Carried Out at Closing Exercises of the Wylie School.

Wylie school closed for the holiday vacation Friday, Dec. 21, when the fol-lowing program was presented: Christmas Carol, school; Cradle Hymn, Henry Gray; The Star in the East, Lucy Gray; Santa Claus is Coming, Joel Barber; What Little Saul Got for Lucy Gray: Santa Claus is Coming, Joel Barber; What Little Saul Got for Christmas, Mildred Wilcox; The Timely Pointer, Howard Gardner; Who's Santa Claus? Marion Brown; dialogue, Playing Santa Claus, Marion Brown, Mildred Wilcox, Helen Congdon, Howard Gardner, Joel Barber; song Christmas Bells, school; While Stars of Christmas Shine, Clifford Gray; Christmas Tree in Wildwood Hollow, Olive Cole; A Voice for Santa Claus, Lloyd Barber: A Christmas Thought, Susan Gardner; The Real Question, Roy Congdon: dialogue, The Messenger Birds, school; The Christ Child, Martha Gray; Save a Little Christmas, Viola Cole; Christmas Hymn Helen Congdon; Little Gottlieb's Christmas, Gladys Young; Bright Stockings, Katherine Clark; A Letter to Santa Claus, Ethel Congdon; Family Troubles, Grace Gray; The First Christmas, Julia Sullivan; A Christmas Tree Farm, Fred Congdon; An Eastern Legend, Edith Hall; The Christmas Tree, Bertha Hall; Song of Gladness, school.

Clifford Congdon made a capital Santa Claus and distributed gifts to the pupils from the tree.

The teacher, Miss Marion Blakeslee, played the organ, A good number of adults were present and the exercises

played the organ. A good number of adults were present and the exercises were enjoyed by all.

## Personal Mention.

Silas L. Barber is in feeble health. Miss Marion Blakeslee is spending to holiday vacation in Waterbury. Mason Gray, who is working in forwich spent Christmas at his home

## SOUTH LYME

Christmas Tree Exercises at Union Chapel-Personal Items of Local In

Mrs. Nettle P. Slate has gone to New ondon for a lengthy visit.

Miss Edna Comstock of New Haven
s the guest of her grandparents, Mr.
and Mrs. L. C. Payne.
Charles Ray Waterhouse of Fort Terry and his wife were guests of his parents recently.

George H. Hersey of West Haven is spending the holidays with his fam-

is spending the holidays with his far fly here. Mr. F. C. Payne has purchased

new touring car.
Philip Peck was the guest of Willam C. Slate over Sunday.

Sunday School Christmas Tree. Sunday school at the Union chapel had a Christmas concert. Mrs. F. W. Chapman has been visit-ing her niece, Mrs. Clara Starr of New Misses Arline and Selmer Champin

home for the Christmas vacation

Visiting in New Haven. Miss Etea Powell is spending her vacation in New Haven, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles owell of Townsend avenue, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dean of Lyme ere recent guests of John Baldwin.

# CLARK'S FALLS

Wood for Fuel at Felt Mill-Clark Icehouses Filled.

Miss Julia Fleming is at home with her parents in North Grafton, Mass., for the Christmas vacation. She in-tends to return and take up her work of instruction in this school district Athert Lutz of New York was a vis-tor at his home south of the village Shristmas day. He returned to his

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Perry entertained their son Oscar and his wife from New Haven, also their son Mau-rice of Hopkinton, who is employed by John Cole.

Wood for Felt Mill. The Federal Felt company has bought a large quantity of wood from Malcolm Thompson, who is delivering at the mill. Mrs. Addie Chapman Clark has been Alfred M. Clark has filled his large chouse with ten inch ice of good

\$20,407,861 IN 1917

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS Subscriptions Received in

United States and Canada. York, Dec. 26.—Foreign mis-the United States and Canada sions in the United States and Canada received total subscriptions of \$20,-497,861 in 1917, of which \$19,166,864 was from the United States and \$1,240,997 from Canada, according to a report by the foreign missions conference of North America, made public here today. Nineteen organizations in Canada and 178 in the United States are represented in the figures.

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While the combined total is almost exactly that of a year ago, the figures show that Canada, regardless of the burdens of war, subscribed approximately \$100,000 more than a year ago, while the United States contributed the less amount less.

nt Polzer, vice president of the house of the Australian Reich-is reported to have resigned for as of health.

# Team No.1 Leading in Palace League BELL-ANS

Captain McKelvey's Men Have Won Ten Games and Lost Five-Team No. 8 (Gifford, Captain) Second-Peckham Leads in Individual Standing.

1—McKelvey, captain 10

8—Gifford, captain 9

3—Dunn, captain 8

4—McCarty, captain 8

5—Murphy, captain 7

2—Hagberg, captain 6

6—Kendall, captain 6 

Individual averages:

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

League Schedule for the Season of 1918 Announced.

New fork, Dec. 26.—Dr. Joseph L. Raycroft of Princeton who has charge of the athletic activities of all the arm camps, presided at the interpretation meeting of the joint basketball rules committee here tonight.

Secretary Treasurer Ralph Morgan of the Eastern Intercollegiate Basket-ball league stated tonight that the full schedule for the 1918 season, consisting of 04 games, will be an-nounced later this week. The league nounced later this week. The league is made up of six colleges—Cornell, Columbia. Dartmouth, Pennsylvania, Princeton and Yale. The season will begin on Jan. 5 with Columbia at Pennsylvania. Dartmouth will play at Princeton Jan. 7, Cornell at Columbia Jan. 11, and Yale will be at Dartmouth and Princeton at Pennsylvania on Jan.

VIVIAN NICKALLS FULLY RECOVERED FROM WOUNDS

former U. of P. Rowing Mentor Was Wounded in Knee by Bursting

wounds received at the front in 20.

In the Palace Bowling league the Team No. 1 is still leading the rest of the field. Peckham has the best incitividual average with 108-2.

W. L. W. L. Wolfer Captein 10 5

characeristic manner writes to Eddie Marsh of the Vesper Boat club, in Marsh of the Vesper Boat club, in part as follows:

"I was hit through the knee twice and was in bed two months. I am now fairly sound again after four months and join up for light duty in two weeks and expect to be sent to France again, in January. I am fed up, but it's no good soldiering at home. One might just as well take a chance again and can only get killed once. Remember me to all the boys along Boathouse row."

SAIER AWARDED PITTSBURG Services Had Been in Dispute Be-

tween Chicago and Pirates. President Barney Dreyfuss of the Pittsburg ball club received word from John K. Tener, president of the National League, that he had awarded to the Pittsburg club Vic Saier, late first baseman of the Chicago club, over whose services the two clubs. over whose services the two clubs had been in dispute. Dreyfuss claimhad been in dispute. Dreyfuss claimed Saier last year when it was announced that he had been released by Chicago, but when the Pittsburg club sent Saier a contract he refused to sign, saying he was being paid by the Chicago club.

Saier played several games with the Cubs at the close of the season

the Cubs at the close of the season. The matter was threshed out at the meeting of the league two weeks ago in New York, and the isgue left to Tener, who made known his decision the other night. When Dreyfuss was asked what he would do about play-

ing Saier he said:

"It all depends on how he and Mollwitz shape up at the training camp, and as to what Manager Bezdek thinks of them. We may make a trade that will give us at least one or the other for our first base position. However, there is time anough for that The for our first base position. However, there is time enough for that. The question is what should be done with Weeghman, who violated the league constitution when he paid Saier's sailary and also allowed his manager to play him at the end of the season. If Saier belongs to us then Weeghman should be fined and shown that he cannot get away with such tricks in the National league."

GIANTS HAVE LOST

ONLY THREE PLAYERS All Regulars Still in Civilian Life-Three Rookies Have Answered Call

So far the Giants have not lost so far the Glants have not lost a regular player in the draft, and the probability is they will not be affected, unless married men are called to the colors. So far only three rookies, Al Baird, John Paul Jones, a pitcher, and a lineal descendant of the first American naval hero, and big George Kelly are in the national service. Kelly was drafted and the others recently enlisted in the navy. The club has received word from Fred Anderson that he has been ex-empted because of dependents. After Anderson's exemption he tried to en-list in the Dental Corps, but was told that no more dentists were needed. The Giants also have heard indirectly that Robertson has been rejected by his draft board. Anderson and Robertson were the only players the Giants seemed in danger of losing.

Friends of Vivian Nickalls, former part of the spring training work of rowing coach of the University of Pennsylvania, will be delighted to learn that he has fully recovered from semble at Waxahachie, Texas, March

# FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

MARKET WAS DULL.

A Score of Rails Declined One to Four Points.

New York, Dec. 26 .- Rails led the clining one to four points, with yet lower records for St. Paul preferred at 62 1-2 and Baltimore and Ohio prefer-red and common at 47 1-4 and 38 1-4

The fresh reaction was popularly associated with indications that the administration is soon to announce its policy of railroad control, congress to

share in the responsibility.

An illustration of the caution with which transportation companies are proceeding was furnished by the Delaware and Phidson directors. A reg-ular dividend was declared for the first quarter of 1918, instead of order-ing payments for the full year, as was ing payments for the full year, as was long the custom.

Industrials suffered almost as much

as rails, deriving their impulse from sporadic liquidation of equipments. For this no explanation was vouch-For this no explanation was vouchsafed other than a possible further revision of prices by the war board.

Trading lapsed after the first hour,
the market coming to a standstill in
the intermediate and later periods, except for a weakening of utilities.
Leaders made nominal rallies just before the close, chiefly Reading and
Union Pacifis, U. S. Steel showing a
net loss of two points at 83 1-2. Sales
am-inted to 415,000 shares.
Foreign bonds forfeited much of
their recent recovery on the less favor-

their recent recovery on the less favorable war views presented by representative banking interests. Liberty issues were active the 4's making a new minimum on the decline from 97 to 96.70, the 3 1-2's holding at 98.50 to 98.22. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$4,650,000. U. S. bonds, old issues, were unchanged on call.

STOCKS.

24% 23% 48% 69% 69% 41% 55% 76% 54% 54% 69% 69% 60%

COTTON.

New York, Dec. 26.—Cotton futures spened steady. January 29.80 to 30.00; March 29.44; May 29.05; July 28.72; Oc-ober 27.45. Spot cotton quiet; middling 31.50.

MONEY. New York, Dec. 28.—Call money firm; high 6; low 5 3-4; ruling rate 6; closing bid 5 3-4; offered at 6; last loan 6.

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tary Training by Captain Overton.

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## SPORTING NOTES

State sports have come to the real ization that bowling is New Haven's middle name,

Syracuse is to have a lacrosse team, yracuse athletes had better enlist in he army to be safe.

Paying war taxes to see Pittsburgh play will be just like throwing nickies in the lake to see it they'll noat.

"Sells bull for \$35,000," says headline. We don't know who gent was but he wasn't a sport-ed.

Irregular won a race recently a New Orleans. The fellow who named him must have been brutally frank. Joe Boehling is to play with the Cubs next year. Alexander isn't wor-rying for fear Joe will beat him out of first place.

Some of these days Carl Morris is going to win a fight, and then there will be no living within 500 miles of Jack Curley.

Danny Goodman has challenged Ben ny Leonard to a finish fight for the title, which in Goodman's case would mean about six rounds. Fred Fulton says that unless Jess

Willard gives him a bout he will claim the championship. Which is probably giving Jess a lot of worry.

Jess Willard has come to the rescue of the sporting writers. His Red Cross or double-cross offer makes interesting reading and good space-fillers. A Cleveland boxer has been exempt ed because of bad feet and bad hands However that will not keep him from

doing a little fighting so long there's coin in sight. Amherst is making what is believed to be a war record. There are seven recognized sports at the college and the men who captained the teams in

each of these branches of sports are Wild Bill Donovan, according to reports, is slated for the job of manag-ing St. Louis. President Branch Rick-ey's efforts to land Hendrick failed, and he turned to New York for ma-

Barrows, late head of the Interna-tional league, may tackle the job of managing the Boston Red Sox, Here's hoping that another \$5.000 salary cut will not prevent his carrying out that

Official averages show that Cobb led the league in batting percentage, in hits, in \*doubles, in triples and in stolen bases, which is Cobb's way of answering the critics who announ that he wos going back. It's the long shot that's most dan-

gerous to toy with. We read yesterday of two entrants on the St. Louis track making it possible for many racing enthusiasts to clean up by holding bets on the small end of 40-1.

major league. "Baby Doll" Jacobson fanned imes last season. It isn't likely that Fielder Jones called him Baby Doll in ndearing tearms when he did it with hree on and two out. We know an-ther "Baby Doll" that fanned with

Alexander wants \$10,000 of the pur hase money that the Phillies received rom the Chicago Cubs, "Alex" is very modest. Last season he asked for a record salary and received it. He has always been asking for something. It's about time that ball players realized that club owners are human beings.

now engaged in the task of overpower ling the Hun. They are: Football, Sheldon Goodrich, officer in reserve corps. Baseball, Rob Munroe, naval reserve. Track. Thomas H. Nelligan, officer in national army, Basketball, Jim Parten heimer, chemical division. Swimming N. R. Lemcke, navy. Golf, W. E. Sib

Reports have it that close to \$500 changed hands when the New Haver changed hands when the New Haven duckpin bowlers swamped Hartford several nights ago. Hartford sportsmen came in big numbers to risk their bank rolls on their favorites whereupon New Haveners covered every nickle in sight while Porto, Johnson, et al. did the rest. It was a mighty bitter pill for Hartfordites to swallow.

"A fighting fool," we are informed, is the way Benny Leonard characterized Chic Brown after their bout before the Ryan A. C. in New Haven Monday night. Leonard's remark is said to have been influenced by the fact that just before the knockout came Chic called him an insulting name and dared him to do his worst. hame and dared him to do his worst.
Leonard did it, in a way that surprised the New Haven pug, and then
advised him afterward never to say
anything to or poke his jaw out at an
opponent in the ring, no matter what
his ability.

WRESTLING AT YALE ON MILITARY BASIS Regarded as Valuable Adjunct to Mili-

Tales wrestling has been put on a war basis by Captain Winfield Overtor. Yales military instructor, and Coach Izzie Winters. Both regard the sport as a valuable aid to the development of the soldiers and sailors who to the number of more than 300, are thaining at Yale in either the Officers' Reserve Training Corps or the Naval Militia. Both believe that, as a cultivator of aggressiveness and self-con-Militia. Both believe that, as a cultivator of aggressiveness and self-confidence, it is one of the most desirable
sports on the college calendar. Aithough the wrestling schedule is by
no means filled out. Captain Gus
Avery said that practically every Eastern college would be on the list. At
least challenges have been sent to all;
but the responses have indicated that
war has broken up the prospects of
putting formidable teams on the mat at
present.

Columbia has accepted Yale's chal-lenge and the Elis will wrestle their first match in New York with the Morningside Heights collegians. Yale is especially hopeful of offinehing a

WEEK END

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have annually developed one of the most dangerous wrestling combinations amoing the Elis' opponents. The Navy grapplers have sent word that Stuffy McInnis of the Athletics has decided to join Uncle Sam's forces. Stuffy is to become a yeoman at the Charlestown Navy yard. He is the sixth player of the Athletics to join the Sam's forces. The Navy grapplers have sent word that sixth player of the Athletics to join the season. At Annapolis Navy grapplers have sent word that they hope to be able to give Yale a date later in the season. At Annapolis wrestling is a major sport and is regarded as one of the most valuable aids in the training of the midshipmen.

Develops Oarsmen.

Yale's rowing coaches regard wrest-ling as an adjunct to development of the oarsmen and will encourage it more emphatically than ever this sea-son. Winter Mead who rowed No. 3 in the varsity eight last season and who is one of the strongest oarsmen that Robertson has been rejected by his draft board. Anderson and Robertson were the only players the Giants seemed in danger of losing.

Reds to Play Tigers.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 26.—A series of ten or twelve games between Cincinnati Nationals and the Detroit American League baseball clubs will be major league.

On we entrains the properties of the strongest oarsmen in the present varsity shell, is one of the best heavyweights on the wrestling squad. He weighs 178 pounds and, with Captain Gus Avery, may enter the light heavyweight class to clean up by holding bets on the small end of 40-1.

Wilbert Robinson manager of the Brooklyn Nationals, says that his team this season will make it hard going for other contenders for the flag in the Tener circuit. His infield, he thinks, will be a match for any in either the present varsity shell, is one of the best heavyweight on the wrestling squad. He weighs 178 pounds and, with Captain Gus Avery, Tale's for other contenders for the flag in the Tener circuit. His infield, he thinks, will be a match for any in either the present varsity shell, is one of the best heavyweight on the wrestling squad. He weighs 178 pounds and, with Captain Gus Avery, Yale's former wrestling champion. Captain for other contenders for the flag in the Tener circuit. His infield, he thinks, will be a match for any in either the present varsity shell, is one of the best heavyweights on the wrestling squad. He weighs 178 pounds and, with Captain Gus Avery; the brooklyn nationals, says that his team this season will make it hard going former wrestling champion. Captain for other contenders for the flag in the present varsity shell, is one of the best heavyweights on the wrestling squad. He weighs 178 pounds and, with Captain Gus Avery is brother of Ben Avery; Yale's former wrestling champion. Captain for other contenders for the flag in the Tener circuit. His infield, he thinks, will be a match for any in either the present varsity shell, is one of the best heavyweights on the will be been the prop tained the freshman wrestling team two seasons ago, but did not wrestle

Heavyweight Entry. Yale has a remarkable heavyweight entry in the person of Carter Galt, the former football guard. He weight 285 pounds when in training form. Under Winter's coaching he promises to prove an intercollegiate heavy-weight champion. If football returns to the Yale curriculum anothe reason Galt and Avery are likely to shine or the gridiron. Theodore Lee Safford captain of the freshman grapplers last year, is the star of the 162-pound squad. He is regarded the most promising candidate at his weight who has represented Yale in several seasons. Ruland Thompson of New York city is on exceptionally promising second

string entry at this weight. Other Possibilities. W. B. Gray of the freshman team last season will probably be Yale's nominee in the 149 pound class. Albert Veeder is a promising reserve man team two season's ago is the lead-ing 139 pound candidate and Francis dward the best 129 pound entry R. H. Berry is another promising member of the 129 pound squad. R.S. McConnell, a new comer on the squad is the best 119-pounder.

FOOTBALL AND WAR

Percy Haughton Points Out Similari-Scouting Is Football Espionage

In a recent interview in a Boston newspaper Percy Haughton drew an analogy between football and war, in which among other things he made the interesting confession that "our scouting system in football was nothing more nor less than a politic espionage system." Just now the various college authorities may view Mr. Haughton's school for spies when peace comes is a question. Perhaps because they are so necessary in war, the Harvard spy, or, rather, scouting system, may be regarded with greater kindliness by athlete purists when intercollegiate sport is resumed than was formerly the case. Harvard, by the way, prized her system of esplonage so highly that she retained it this season for her freshman team all, of course, to the end that her freshmen should lose nothing of the qualifications for war that football teaches. Haughton says that in his ewn case In a recent interview in a Boston

ter football man.

"In 1914 and 1915 we at Cambridge

"In 1914 and 1915 we at Cambridge planned our gridiron campaign just as if it were a military campaign, just as if the winning of that Yale game were the taking of Berlin, if you will pardon the figure of speech. We had to be prepared on a certain day to show our very best. We knew what was ahead, and we planned for it. We reached our maximum efficiency, even as we planned, two weeks before the Yale game. In those last two weeks we had the chance to list two weeks we had the chance to smooth out and to pick up the loose ends. Of course, in war you never can tell when your day of battle will come. But you must be prepared. Preparedness is the keynote of foot-

Haughton goes on to say that the ecret of success in football is a thorough knowledge of the enemy's weaknesses. Answering the question—why does football in greater measure than any other sport prepare men for military pursuits?—Haughton says, military pursuits? Haughton says, first, that football is a game of discipline. The amenability of football players to discipline fits them, in consequence, to succeed as soldiers. In the second place, being deeply interested in football, they will necessarily be deeply interested in the busi-

other consideration-gameness. How often, he asks, "at Plattsburg and in army cantonments do the young men get cold, wet, tired, and discouraged! Then their football training, the hab-it of keeping at it to the end, comes to the assistance of the young men. They keep going, refuse to be dis-

couraged, and they make good ."The last reason why so many players have obtained commissions, and why they have made and are making good as officers, is in their grasp of the whys and wherefores. Why, our scouting system in football was noth-ing more or less than a police espionage system. The more you elab-orate the more you realize the simi-larity between football and war."

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